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TAGS: ETRD, UK

SUBJ: BRITISH IMPORT RESTRICTIONS

1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED: FRG HAS PUBLISHED TEXT OF  
DECEMBER 18 CABLE FROM ECONOMICS MINISTER FRIDERICH  
TO EC PRESIDENT ORTOLI CONDEMNING BRITISH IMPORT  
RESTRICTIONS. FRIDERICH CABLE STATED THAT BONN NOT  
UNAWARE OF BRITISH GOVERNMENT'S DIFFICULT SITUATION,  
BUT THAT PATH TAKEN COULD START A DANGEROUS TREND  
TOWARD RESTRICTING WORLD TRADE. NOW THAT MOST  
INDUSTRIAL COUNTRIES HAVE PROBABLY PASSED WORST STAGE

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OF RECESSION, IT IS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY TO AVOID ANY

ACTION WHICH MIGHT RESTRICT THE ECONOMIC UPSWING. IN  
FRG VIEW, EC COMMISSION SHOULD EXAMINE THE BRITISH  
MEASURES IN ACCORD WITH A STRICT APPLICATION OF  
COMMUNITY LAW REGARDING THE FREE MOVEMENT OF GOODS  
WITHIN EC AND TO TRADE RELATIONS WITH THIRD COUNTRIES.  
END UNCLASSIFIED.

2. BEGIN LOU. MFA TRADE POLICY OFFICIAL (FREITAG)  
TOLD EMBOFF THAT FRG RECOGNIZES BRITISH MEASURES ARE  
MORE OR LESS SYMBOLIC, AND ARE CERTAINLY NOT AS  
SERIOUS AS HAD BEEN EXPECTED. HOWEVER, FRG STRONGLY  
BELIEVES THAT RESORT TO TRADE RESTRICTIONS OF ANY KIND  
IS NOT THE WAY TO SOLVE THE TYPE OF PROBLEMS BRITAIN  
FACES. CABLE TO ORTOLI WAS INTENDED TO MAKE CLEAR  
THIS STRONG FRG CONVICTION. IT IS NOW UP TO COMMISSION  
TO DECIDE HOW TO HANDLE BRITISH ACTIONS. END LOU.  
HILLENBRAND

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